issued a direction in November, 2005 to all Cellular Mobile Service Providers to ensure that the QoS parameters strictly comply with the benchmarks laid down by TRAI. TRAI has also held several meetings with the senior management of service providers for addressing deficiencies in achieving QoS benchmarks.

(c) Does not arise in view of (b) above.

Setting up of Telephone Exchanges in Andhra Pradesh

96. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that not even a single Digital Trunk Automatic and Modern Telephone Exchange has been set up in Andhra Pradesh during 2004-05 by BSNL;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the details of such telephone exchanges set up in various part of the country during the last five years, year-wise and State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) and (b) Sir, 36 Modern Telephone Exchanges were set up in Andhra Pradesh during 2004-05 by BSNL and the existing Digital Trunk Automatic Exchanges (D-TAX) in the State were expanded by 21000 circuits. Each Secondary Switching Area (SSA)/Long Distance Charging Area (LDCA) in Andhra Pradesh was having at least one D-TAX prior to 1.4.04 as per National Switching and Routing Plan. Hence, there was no need to install new D-TAX except for the expansion.

(c) Details of Modern Telephone Exchanges and Digital Trunk Automatic Exchanges set up by BSNL in various parts of the country during the last five yeas, year-wise and State wise is given in the statement.

Statement

Digital Trunk Automatic Modern Telephone Exchanges set up during the last five years

State	Digital Trunk Automatic Exchanges					Modern Telephone Exchanges				
	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Andaman & Nicobar			1			6	6	3		
Andhra Pradesh	8	1	6	4		357	268	154	76	36
Assam	3	1	1	1		59	32	62	26	3
Bihar	2	4	3	3	6	270	117	44	45	38
Chhattisgarh	Included in MP		2	2	2	Included in MP	110	13		
Chennai Telecom District			1			22	23	27	20	5
New Delhi			1	1						
Gujarat			7	1	3	631	150	28	2	2
Himachal Pradesh				3		67	118	46	3	3
Haryana	1		2	1	1	37	70	66	31	2
Jammu & Kashmir		1		1	1	13	18	14	1	10
Jharkhand	Included in Bihar		3	1	1	Included in Bihar	25	29	20	10
Kerala	3	1	1	1		64	110	83	24	6
Karnataka	2	2	5	3	4	144	94	66	5	2
Kolkata Telecom District				1		29	109	131	67	27

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Maharashtra (including Goa)	2	7	14	4		957	17	28		10
Madhya Pradesh (MP)	3	1	4	8	15	152	175	101	19	8
North East-I		1			2	39	32	26	21	10
(Tripura, Mizoram, Meghalaya)										
North East-II (Manipur		1		1	1		14	12	8	6
Arunachal Pradesh, Negaland)										
Orissa			5	4	3	128	74	45	20	17
Punjab	5	1			1	92	157	85	21	6
Rajasthan		3	7	5	6	103	159	81	33	9
Tamil Nadu (Excluding	4	5	2			180	182	126	31	14
Chennai										
Uttaranchal	Included in UPW			2	1	Included in UPW	14	28	17	7
Uttar Pradesh (East)	2	2	9	13	8	352	144	49	20	16
Uttar Pradesh (West)	4	3	2	4	3	134	102	52	12	3
West Bengal (Excluding	1	2	6	3		184	132	97	18	20
Kolkata & including Sikkim)										
Grand Total:	40	36	82	67	58	4020	2452	1496	540	270